Invitation to Governor's Press Event

State of New Hampshire adds biodiesel to Durham fueling station



Governor John Lynch and officials from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (DOT) and the University of New Hampshire (UNH) will officially open a new DOT biodiesel fueling facility in Durham on **August 2, 2006.** This event marks the first use of biodiesel by UNH and DOT vehicles. You are invited to join Governor Lynch at the Durham DOT fueling facility to learn about this renewable, cleaner burning fuel and take a ride in UNH's new advanced technology and alternative fuel vehicles that will also be highlighted during the event.

What: Event to Announce the First Use of Biodiesel by Department of Transportation and

University of New Hampshire Fleets

When: Wednesday, August 2, 2006

9:30 a.m.

Remarks by Governor Lynch, UNH President J. Bonnie Newman, and DOT

Commissioner Carol Murray

Where: NH DOT Fueling Facility

West Edge Drive

Durham, NH (see directions below)

The State of New Hampshire is leading by example and entering a new era in fueling diesel vehicles. DOT has dedicated one of the fuel tanks at its Durham fueling depot to a 20% blend of biodiesel (B20). DOT and UNH will be using the B20 fuel in many of their diesel vehicles and the fuel will also be available for use by local municipalities and school districts.

Biodiesel is a domestic, renewable diesel fuel replacement derived from natural oils such as soybean or canola oil. It can also be manufactured from recycled restaurant grease. It is a cleaner burning fuel that is nontoxic, biodegradable, and works in any diesel engine – trucks, construction equipment, buses, and cars – with few or no modifications. Biodiesel is typically blended with petroleum diesel, with the most common blend being 20% biodiesel.

Attendees will have the opportunity to view equipment that will be using biodiesel, as well as several other alternative fuel and advanced technology vehicles that have recently been added to the UNH fleet.

UNH and DOT are both members of the Granite State Clean Cities Coalition, a group of over 65 stakeholders promoting the use of alternative fuel vehicles and associated fueling capacity to increase our nation's energy security and reduce air pollution. GSCCC will hold its quarterly stakeholder meeting at UNH following the press event. All are welcome to attend the meeting.

For more information, please contact Kathy Brockett, DES Air Resources Division, at (603) 271-6284 or kbrockett@des.state.nh.us. Kindly RSVP to Kathy if you are planning to attend.

Directions to the NH DOT Durham fueling depot: Route 4 to Route 155A Exit. Turn toward Durham on 155A (Concord Road). Proceed for approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ mile and turn right onto West Edge Drive. The DOT fueling facility is on your left.